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Delay in Disbursement of Scholarships
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of scholarships given from the Ministry for the meritorious students of various categories;
(b) whether the scholarships are regularly disbursed to the students during the same academic year;
(c) if not, the reasons for delay in disbursing the scholarship amount;
(d) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the scholarships sanctioned to the meritorious students in Kerala coming under different categories are pending arrears;
(e) if so, the action taken by the Government to disburse the pending arrears of scholarships; and
(f) the details of action taken by the Government on the request of students selected for scholarship to disburse the amount without further delay and whether the Government proposes to implement an effective mechanism for disbursement of scholarship in time and if so, the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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(a) The scholarships given by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, the University Grants Commission (UGC) and the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), for the meritorious students of various categories are:-

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Department / Organization Name of Scholarship Scheme
Department of School
Education & Literacy
National Means Cum- Merit Scholarship Scheme
Department of Higher
Education
Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and
University students.
University Grants
Commission (UGC)
Post Graduate Scholarship for University Rank Holders
Post Graduate Scholarship for GATE/GPAT qualified students
Post Graduate Scholarship for Professional courses for
Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.
Ishaan Uday-Special Scholarship for North Eastern Region.
All India Council for
Technical Education
(AICTE)
Post Graduate Scholarship for GATE/GPAT qualified
candidates.
Pragati Scholarship Scheme for girl students.
Saksham Scholarship Scheme for differently abled students.
Special Scholarship Scheme for Jammu & Kashmir
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(b) to (f) Scholarships are being disbursed on time to eligible students as per the criteria laid down in the respective Schemes. However, in few cases there may be delay in disbursement of scholarships due to (i) late joining of students (ii) delay in submission and uploading of requisite documents (iii) incorrect bank details .

The scholarship schemes have been brought under Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) wherein scholarship is transferred directly into the bank account of the beneficiaries. Further, the 'National Means cum Merit Scholarship Scheme' and the 'Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship Scheme for College and University Students' has boarded onto the National Scholarship Portal (http://www.scholarships.gov.in/) with effect from 2015. The National Scholarship Portal is a common electronic portal which serves as a one-stop solution, beginning with submission of student application, verification, sanction and disbursal of scholarship to the end beneficiary. These initiatives have eliminated delays caused due to human interface.

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